

**MINUTES
VILLAGE OF LAKE PARK
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
3801 LAKE PARK ROAD, LAKE PARK, NC
OCTOBER 26, 2015**

Commission Members Present: David Cleveland, Fabian Szarko, Ashley Dance and Wil Ortiz

Clerk: Cheri Clark

Call to Order: Mayor David Cleveland called the October 26, 2015 Parks and Recreation meeting to order.

Public Comments: There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes: Ashley Dance made the motion to adopt the September 28, 2015 minutes as presented. Wil Ortiz seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

Changes to the Agenda: Add to 9d: Azalea Park Playground Mulch. Fabian Szarko made the motion to adopt the agenda as amended. Wil Ortiz seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

Founders Park Gazebo Lighting: Councilman John Barnes discussed the fact that the Founders Park Gazebo has no lightening. John Barnes has met with two contractors concerning the lighting of the gazebo. Landscape Lighting Resources recommended using 12 volt commercial flood lights suspended in the surrounding trees to illuminate the gazebo and to repurpose a transformer from the front entrance - \$1,000. At the September Parks and Recreation meeting concerns were expressed about having the lights in the trees.

Outdoor Lighting Perspective recommended using 6 – 5 watt floodlights mounted on stakes surrounding the gazebo platform. The area would need to be trenched under the sidewalk so that there would not be any exposed wiring. Outdoor Lighting also quoted a new transformer. - \$1,394. The transformer carries a lifetime warranty, the fixtures & wiring – 10 years warranty, timers – 1 year warranty and LED bulbs – 3 years. The lighting would be controlled with a photocell, lights would be on dusk to dawn. Ashley Dance asked if the lights were in cages to reduce vandalism. John Barnes shared that the lights are recessed but not in a cage. Lighting gives the area an identity. After talking with three companies, lighting from the interior of gazebo would be cost prohibitive. Mayor David Cleveland shared that P&R did not budget for lighting at Founders Park this year.

Ashley Dance asked about the status of the flag lights at Veterans Pond. John Barnes shared that the current lights match the lights used at the other flagpoles within the Village however the lights are not illuminating the flag. The beam of light for the flag needs to be spread out wider. We will need to test fixtures to make sure that they will accomplish our illumination goal.

Council Actions: Council approved the following:

1. Lucas Landscaping contract to renovate the Queens and Hoover Park - \$4,000.
2. Mike Wienecke quote for Christmas decorations - \$11,225.

Budget Report: Mayor David Cleveland shared P&R committed funds this month to Lucas Landscaping – Queens and Hoover Park - \$4,000, Christmas Lights and Seasonal Banners - \$11,225, Swim Specialties - \$16,000 on the Pool Resurfacing, Lucas Landscaping – Hardwood mulch - \$6,000, Seasonal flowers - \$1,200 and Shrubbery - \$600.

Community Center: Mayor David Cleveland shared that quotes are needed on the HVAC systems for the Community Center. Cheri Clark volunteered to get three quotes for the next P&R meeting.

Fabian Szarko volunteered to photograph all of the assets in Lake Park for an insurance review including flagpoles, benches, fishing pier, gazeboes and fountains.

Mayor David Cleveland priced a new volleyball net for the court - \$109.00. The P&R Commission requested that Mayor David Cleveland order the net.

Pool Report: Mayor David Cleveland discussed the 2015 Pool Report. Daily Revenues have increased while residential Pool Memberships have decreased slightly in the last two years.

The Pool Renovations contract has been signed with Swim Specialties and work should begin in the next two weeks weather permitting.

Landscaping: Faith Church Road Castle is complete including an interior light to discourage vandalism. While the light was being installed, the electrician noticed moisture in the attic. Cheri Clark will look into the source of the moisture.

P&R decided to table the lighting at Founders Park until spring to determine if funding would be available in this fiscal budget.

Ashley Dance shared that Lucas Landscaping should begin work at Queens and Hoover Street Park this week weather permitting.

Mayor David Cleveland rode with Lucas Landscaping last week and there are several playgrounds that need mulch. To install playground mulch in the two playgrounds Veterans Park and Azalea Park playground - \$80.00 per cubic yard. Ashley Dance made the motion to approve the new playground mulch in Founders Park and Azalea Park. Wil Ortiz seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

Lucas Landscaping provided a quote for the Meeting Street sidewalk screening - \$725. The plants suggested for the screening are Nelly Stevens and Knock out Roses. Wil Ortiz suggested using Steeds Hollies instead of the Nelly Stevens. Discussion deferred until later in the agenda.

The plant renovation discussion at Mimosa Park was deferred until the November meeting. Lucas Landscaping has provided a quote for miscellaneous shrub and tree replacements throughout the Village - \$3,540. The two – 7gallon Abelias in the Kristopher cul-de-sac will be replaced at no charge since they are under warranty. Mayor David Cleveland shared that P&R budgeted for the replacements and new shrubbery expense. Ashley Dance asked if the majority of the work is replacement with the exception of the Meeting Street sidewalk. Mayor David Cleveland stated that most of the \$3,540 will be spent on replacement plants. Fabian Szarko made a motion to approve the replacement shrubs and trees. Wil Ortiz seconded the motion. Vote two to one with Ashley Dance voting no. Ashley Dance made a motion to amend the original motion to reflect approval for all shrub and tree replacements except the plants for the Meeting Street sidewalk. Ashley Dance would like to see the cost of the Steed Hollies vs the Nelly Stevens next month before deciding on whether or not to landscape the Meeting Street sidewalk. Wil Ortiz seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

Fall flowers have been installed and Lucas Landscaping is working on mulch replacements throughout the Village.

Christmas Decorations: Mike Wienecke has started working on the Christmas lights.

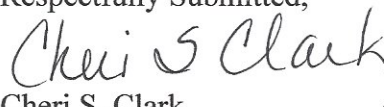
Events: The Chili Cook-off is November 14th from 6 to 8 pm. Wayne Daniels will be heading up the event again this year.

The annual Christmas tree lighting will be held on Sunday, December 6th from 5:30 to 6:30 pm in the Town Center Park. Music will be provided by the Union Academy Band and the Union Academy Choir. Scriptures will be read by Pastor Lonnie Pittman of Faith United Methodist Church.

Mayor David Cleveland asked Mark Phillips if he had found a Scout interested in building a bocce course for his Eagle Scout project. Mark Phillips shared that he has a Scout interested in the project but the Scout has not prepared his presentation.

Adjourn: Fabian Szarko made the motion to adjourn. Wil Ortiz seconded the motion. Vote – Unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cheri S. Clark
Village Administrator